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(54) **Transition assist siderail and article employing the same**

(57) An occupant support such as a bed **20** includes an articulating deck **34** having an upper body section **44** and a section **46** or **74** longitudinally adjacent to the upper body section. The upper body section is pivotable relative to the adjacent section about a laterally extending upper pivot axis. The upper body section may be pivoted to angular orientations between a substantially flat angular

orientation and a maximum angular orientation. A siderail **86** affixed to the upper body section, includes a grip **102** having an ascending orientation relative to the upper body section. The grip is longitudinally bounded by a siderail back portion **106** located behind the grip and a siderail front portion **110** located in front of the grip. At least part of the front portion has a non-ascending orientation relative to the upper body section.

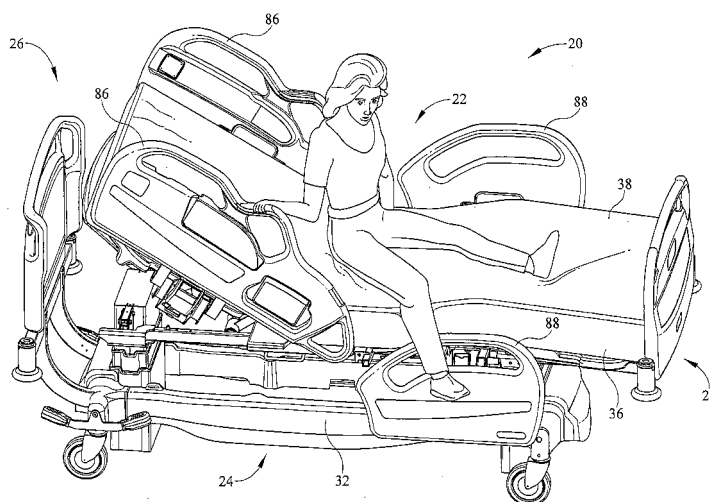


FIG. 1



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